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PARTICULAR, A COOKING APPLIANCE
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RESPONSE C

Dear Sir:

In the Advisory Office Action dated December 7, 2005, Amendment B was not entered by the Examiner in paragraph 3. The response time is extended herein to March 20, 2006 and an RCE is filed herewith.

As noted on the RCE papers, paragraph 1(a)ii , Applicants do not wish to have the previously unentered Amendment B added and specifically request non-entry thereof, as required.

Applicants also respectfully request the Examiner not to examine the RCE application claims until Applicants have reviewed the claim amendments submitted in Amendment B and filed a Preliminary Amendment or further response. Although both Applicants are native Germans, Joachim Grutzke continues to work for the parent German company, **THE REAL PARTY IN INTEREST**, the real party in interest (for purposes of the Appeal Brief when or if filed) is the inventors, BSH Bosch und Siemens Hausgeraete GmbH, the Assignee in the application, which is a joint venture between Siemens AG and Robert Bosch GmbH, all three of which are German companies. Joachim Grutzke is working here at the US subsidiary at the same location as the undersigned and has been consulted by the undersigned.

The second Applicant/inventor, Thomas Rembold, however is located in Germany and has left the employment of our parent company, BSH Bosch und Siemens Hausgeraete GmbH. The undersigned does not believe that this will cause undue delay, because our parent company is located in Munich and one of the patent department staff will contact Mr. Rembold to fulfill the German inventor law requirements. This should be done within sixty days and as soon as the response from Thomas Rembold is obtained the undersigned will file the appropriate document. The undersigned will also call the Examiner assigned and inquire if the Examiner would prefer the document to be faxed to his attention.

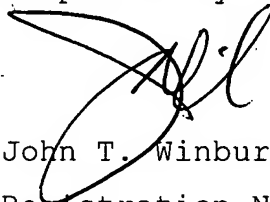
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If the Examiner has any questions regarding this response, the RCE or the status of the claims or any other document, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted

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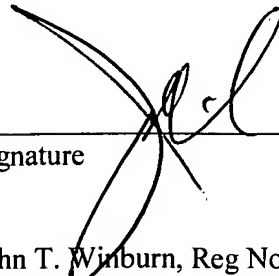
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